



Agricultural Summary: Widespread precipitation limited producers to 2.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture was rated 8 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 3 percent very short, 20 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

Field Crop Report: Sixteen percent of the **wheat** is jointed, 3 points behind last year but 2 points ahead of the 5-year average. Wheat condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 23 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 20 percent excellent. Wheat freeze damage reports indicate 87 percent of the wheat has not been damaged, 11 percent has light damage, and 2 percent has moderate damage. Early reports estimate that 2 percent of Kansas wheat has been lost to winterkill. Reports of wind damage indicate 85 percent of the wheat with no damage, 11 percent with light damage, and 4 percent with moderate damage. Insect reports indicate 88 percent with no infestation, 10 percent with light infestation, and 2 percent with moderate infestation. Disease reports indicate 79 percent with no presence, 17 percent with light presence, and 4 percent with moderate presence. Forty-seven percent of **oats** have been planted compared with 65 percent last year and 59 percent for the 5-year average.

Pasture and Range Report: Range and pasture conditions are rated 3 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 42 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies are rated 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 89 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies are rated 1 percent very short, 5 percent short, 78 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Stock water supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 12 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

Cooperating Agencies
Kansas State Research & Extension Service
Weather Data Library, KSU Research and Extension Service
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CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 03/27/05

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
03/27/05	1	4	23	52	20
03/20/05	1	5	27	53	14
03/28/04	11	17	35	33	4
Range & Pasture	3	9	40	42	6

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 03/27/05

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Joint	15	3	20	5	23	25	1	4	20	16	8	19	14

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 03/27/05

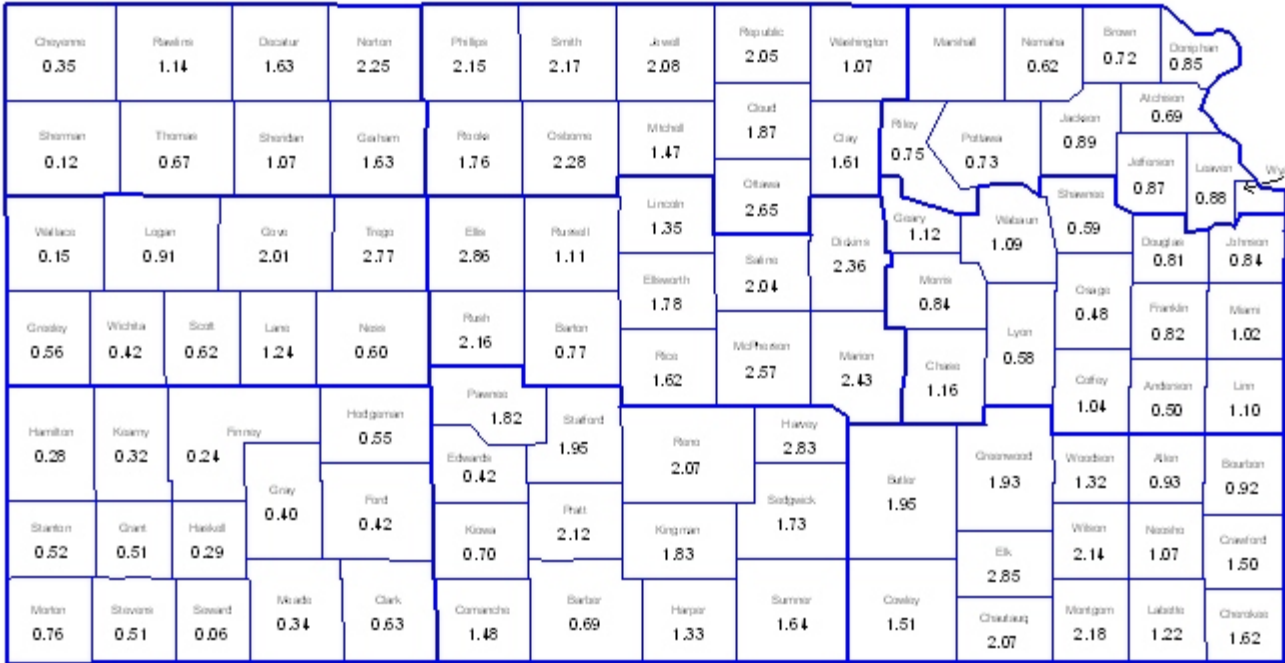
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	1.6	0.6	3.3	1.9	1.1	2.6	2.2	1.3	2.1	2.0	6.5	5.6
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	8
Short	15	10	15	12	6	2	18	0	0	8	25	23
Adequate	82	80	80	85	76	84	71	79	68	78	71	60
Surplus	3	6	5	3	18	14	11	21	32	14	2	9
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	7	4	5	8	0	0	6	0	0	3	4	23
Short	47	22	28	51	19	3	19	2	0	20	24	28
Adequate	46	74	65	41	75	94	75	96	85	73	70	44
Surplus	0	0	2	0	6	3	0	2	15	4	2	5

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 03/27/05

Temperature								Temperature							
Station		Air		Soil 4"		Precip		Station		Air		Soil 4"		Precip	
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avq	Max			Dist	City	Max	Min	Avq	Max		
NW	Colby	61	24	37	50	35	0.62	SC	Hesston	56	30	42	61	38	1.02
WC	Tribune	61	22	37	48	38	0.00	NE	Powhatt	56	28	41	56	41	0.02
SW	Grdn Cty	59	23	38	53	35	0.25	NE	Manhat	60	28	41	56	38	0.63
NC	Scandia	59	27	40	55	36	0.00	EC	Ottawa	57	30	41	56	41	0.00
C	Hays	57	26	39	53	36	0.00	EC	Slvr Lk	65	28	43	54	41	0.28
SC	Hutch	55	30	43	61	40	0.00	EC	Rossvl	57	26	41	55	40	0.23
SC	St John	62	24	41	55	39	0.56	SE	Parsons	62	35	46	49	38	1.70

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting station data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 27, 2005



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.